FOREST DEPARTMENT.

Notification dated June 1907.

1. Notice is hereby given that sealed tenders will be received at the office of the District Forest Officer, Kolar, up to 7th July 1907, for the purchase of the exclusive privilege of collecting tangadi (*Cassia auriculata*) and kakke (*Cassia fistula*) barks for a period of about 12 months (ending with 30th June 1908) in all Government lands including State Forests and Plantations of all the taluks of the Kolar District.

N. B.—The produce of Inam, Jodi, Kayamgutta, Sarvamanya, Kandayam and other lands which are in the occupancy of private individuals, is not included in the above sale.

2. Tenders may specify the price offered for the barks of the whole district each taluk separately.

3. Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 200 in currency notes as earnest money, in default of which, it will be rejected. Covers containing the tenders should be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Kolar, and should be duly registered, insured and superscribed "Tender for tangadi and kakke barks"

4. Tenders will be opened by the District Forest Officer at the District Forest Office, Kolar, at 2 P.M., on Monday the 8th July 1907, in the presence of such tenderers as choose to be present.

5. The above officer reserves to himself the power to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reasons therefor. The acceptance of the tender will be subject to the confirmation of the Deputy Commissioner.

6. The earnest money of the successful tenderer will be retained and that of the rest will be returned forthwith.

7. Within one week of the intimation of the acceptance of his tender, the successful tenderer shall credit into the Kolar District Treasury, one-half of the total rental due for the whole period, including the earnest money already paid plus local cess at one anna per rupee. He shall also execute an agreement binding himself to observe the conditions herein mentioned and other usual conditions. In default of the said payment or of the execution of the said agreement, the acceptance of his tender will be revoked, the earnest money forfeited and the right re-sold.

8. Sales effected under the above para will be at the risk of the defaulter, who shall forfeit all gain, but in the event of a loss by the sale, shall make good such loss.

9. The successful tenderer or the lessee should work up the lease himself, and if he wishes to transfer it to others, he may do so on obtaining the sanction of the District Forest Officer, who may refuse sanction without assigning reasons therefor. The collection of bark by a transferee or assignee unrecognized by the District Forest Officer will be dealt with as unauthorized collection.

10. The balance of the lease amount due by the lessee shall be paid up in two equal instalments on or before 30th September and 30th November next respectively failing which the lessee shall forfeit his claims under the lease and the sums already paid by him. The arrears due will be recovered from him as a revenue demand, with interest.

Further conditions.

(i) To hold himself responsible to prevent the cutting of tender stems by his servants or sub-contractors.

(ii) To furnish a list of sub-contractors and mestris who may be appointed by them for the collection of bark in the different working circles.

(iii) To cut the kakke trees flush with the ground.

(iv) To keep accounts showing the quantity of the bark or barked wood or charcoal prepared therefrom removed in accordance with the lease and to permit inspection of such accounts by the Deputy Commissioner or the District Forest Officer or any other officer deputed by them.

(v) To remove each cart-load of bark under a pass issued by the contractor or his agent in the printed form book obtained by the District Forest Officer under his seal and signature and to return the counterfoils to the said officer as soon as each book is finished.

(vi) To hold himself responsible for damage caused by any fire in State Forests or Plantations traceable to his or his employees' negligence.

(vii) To remove out of limit of Kolar District and before 1st July 1907 all bark or barked wood cut or charcoal prepared from the latter, collected or stored by or on behalf of the lessee.

(viii) In the event of breach of any of the above conditions, the lease is liable to be cancelled, all the bark collected to be confiscated, and the lessee to a fine not exceeding Rs. 1,000 to be imposed by the Deputy Commissioner.

(ix) The barked wood will be the property of the lessee.